

REMARKS:

- 1) On January 30, 2006 and February 2, 2006, the Examiner initiated a Telephone Interview with the undersigned attorney, to discuss a few minor clerical errors in the claims. The Examiner's careful review of these matters is appreciated. The Examiner requested that the applicant should file an amendment correcting these clerical errors. This paper is being submitted as requested.
- 2) In the present amendment, a few minor clerical errors or inconsistencies in the claims have been corrected. For example, an incorrect reference number "19" has been changed to --(10)--, and a few other typographical or clerical errors have also been corrected. Further as requested, claim 27 has been amended into independent form, and antecedent basis has been voluntarily improved. Also, the idiomatic construction at the last three lines of claims 15 and 27 has been voluntarily improved to better convey the translated meaning of the corresponding PCT International Application claims.
- 3) In the Telephone Interview, the Examiner indicated that the application is allowable with these minor clerical revisions, subject to a final search and review. The indication of expected allowability is appreciated. Prompt passage of the application to issuance is respectfully requested.

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- 4) The Examiner is further requested to acknowledge or ensure the entry of:
- a) the Replacement Sheets of Formal Drawings filed on January 18, 2005;
 - b) the Substitute Specification filed on January 18, 2005; and
 - c) the Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 18, 2005.
- 5) Favorable consideration and allowance of the application, including all present claims 15 to 28, are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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